

EXHIBIT A

Hog Specifications

- Hogs shall be live and must pass USDA ante mortem inspections and be disease free.
- Hogs must be within USDA limits on all residues (e.g., sulfa, tetracyclines, penicillin, etc.) and be certified Level III of the NPPC Pork Quality Assurance Program.
- Buyer shall not be required to accept any hog which has a live weight of less than 220 pounds or more than 290 pounds.
- Buyer shall not be required to accept any hog which meets the definition of either an "ambulatory disabled livestock" or a "non-ambulatory disabled livestock," as such terms are defined under Directives issued by USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service ("FSIS").
- Hogs shall be produced solely from Seller's sow herd located at the Designated Production Facilities, and the hogs shall be produced solely at the Designated Production Facilities.
- Seller must follow humane handling procedures at all times during the production, transportation and delivery of the hogs.
- The carcasses from the hogs must pass USDA post-mortem inspection.
- The carcasses from the hogs shall not have excessive insect bites (e.g., flies, mosquitoes, etc.), as determined by Buyer. Insect bites shall be deemed excessive if any of the following conditions are met due to the bites: trim loss is above normal, USDA requires a carcass to be trimmed, the carcass is railed out to perform the trimming, or the belly from the carcass decreases from a grade #1 to a lesser grade.
- The hogs shall not have had any diseases which result in additional handling of the carcasses and/or decreased value or yield of the carcasses, as determined by Buyer. Diseases shall include, but not be limited to the following: pneumonia, peritonitis, jaundice, pericarditis, or arthritis. Additional handling of the carcasses and/or decreased value or yield of the carcasses shall include, but not be limited to, the following: trim loss above normal, down-time on the chain or rail, or damage or loss to portions of the carcass (e.g., ribs, belly, loins, etc.).